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I. Key to Sketch

The explanation of the numbers below corresponds to the numbers appearing on the attached sketch of the port of Odessa.

1. Site where the ship docked to unload. This is the point where the ship was controlled while sailing in and out of the harbor.
2. Site where the ship docked to continue unloading. Site No. 1 was called Shed No. 19 by the Soviet port authorities. Site No. 2 was called Shed No. 25.
3. Warehouse in which rubber was stored.
4. Destroyed warehouses.
4. The western section of the port, which was used as a coal yard.
5. Three electric cranes in operation. Each had a capacity of about 7½ tons.
6. Site where a Soviet freighter (over 8,000 tons) was seen docked. It was abandoned there and in need of repairs. The first Russian letters on it were K Y P.
7. Site where another Soviet freighter (over 8,000 tons) was seen docked. This ship had no cargo.
8. Site where a small floating crane was lifting small boats and putting them up on to the mole for general repair work.
9. Three electric cranes. The middle one was not in operation because it did not have its boom. Each had a capacity of about 7½ tons. All the cranes were of American origin, but the distinguishing marks had been removed and replaced with Soviet markings. The word "America", however, could still be read on one of them. The section of this

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mole which has the cranes on it was in good condition, permitting the docking of one 8,000-ton ship. The other part of the mole was destroyed. It was not being repaired.

10. Bomb-damaged warehouses. The warehouse in front of the cranes (Site No. 9 of attached sketch) was the only one in use.
11. Site where the trans-Atlantic ship Rossiya was docked. It had been painted white and [redacted] in good condition. Between 2 June and 6 June 1950 this ship went to Rumania or Bulgaria, and up to 18 June it went out of [redacted] three times for about two hours each time and returned with [redacted] passengers.
- 11'. Site where another passenger ship of about 9,000 tons was seen. It was in good condition. This ship went out only once during the middle of June and returned to the same site a short while later. It was painted white, and had one smokestack.
12. Sites where various Soviet freighters were docked. Two Bulgarian freighters were also docked here.
13. Site where a 7,000-to 8,000-ton Soviet freighter was seen.
14. Mole, in use. Three to four cranes were seen there, and a single-track railroad spur.
15. Mole in use.
16. The large breakwater, which is used on the inside part of the harbor for mooring small freighters.
17. A harbor which is used for the requirements of the nearby shipyards. It has two docks. On the eastern dock a large ship, about 12,000 tons, was being repaired.
18. An area in which four new steel vessels were seen. These had probably been constructed in the shipyards of Odessa. These ships had a capacity of 7,000 to 12,000 tons each. One was a tanker.
- 18'. Site where tankers were unloading petroleum products. It appeared that more than one ship could not unload at the same time, because of the lack of facilities. More than two tankers (one at the Rada and one unloading) were never seen together in the port.
19. Site where Greek and Soviet freighters were seen loading and unloading grain.
- 19'. Site where five or six large and small Soviet freighters were seen. Of these, two were small passenger ships. All were docked.
- 19''. Site where a Soviet 8,000-or 9,000-ton freighter was unloading an unknown type of lightweight material. After it was unloaded from the ship the cargo was re-loaded on railroad cars.
- 19'''. Site where the Soviet freighter Taras Shevchenko (8,000 to 9,000 tons) was unloading a cargo of what looked like gravel. The color of the material was white.
20. Warehouses, which were probably destroyed during the war.
21. An area, in [redacted] open. They had six wheels each
22. An arrow pointing the direction from which a submarine came from the shipyards and later returned to the yards.

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II. Warships in Odessa Harbor

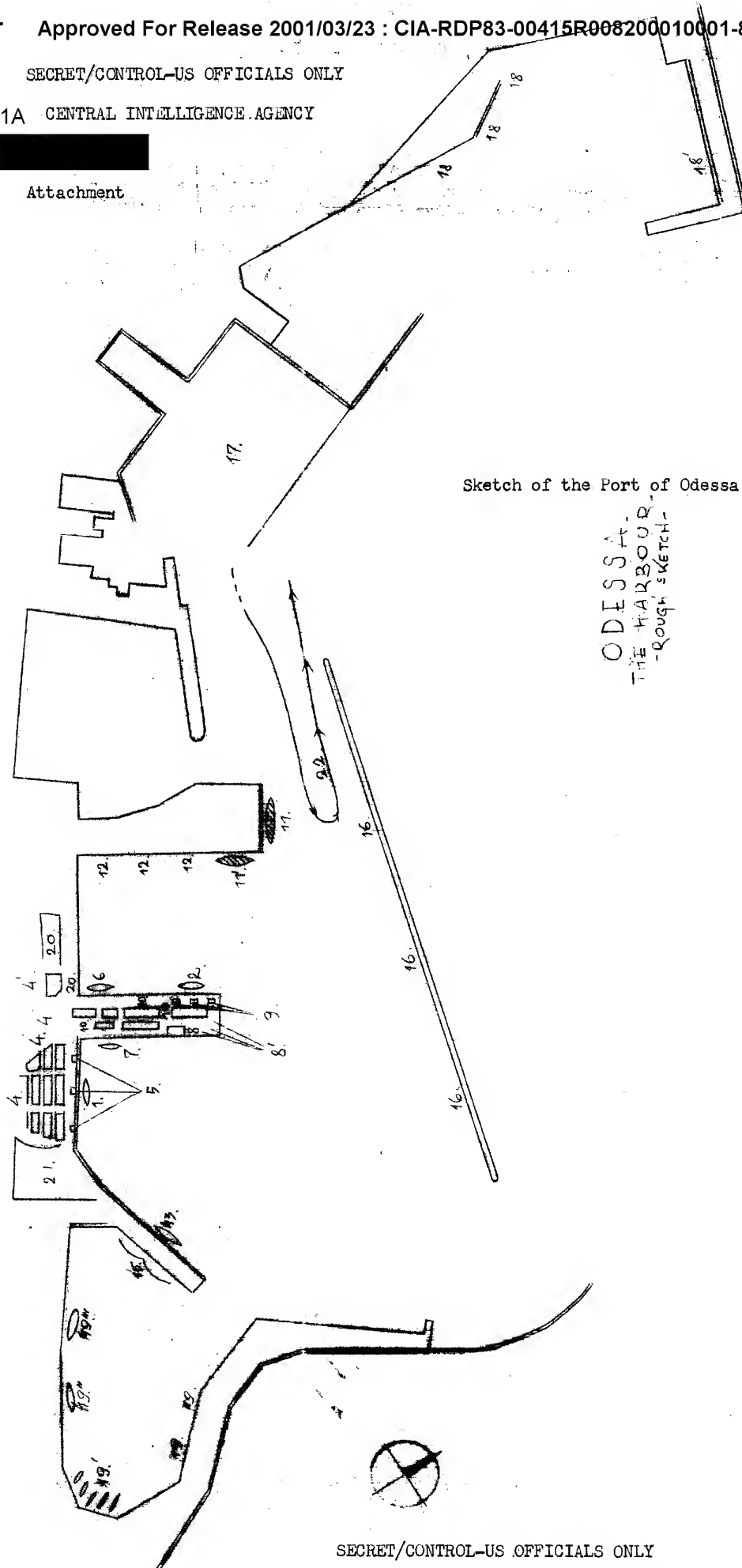
- a. Three light destroyers were seen [redacted] port. Each had two smokestacks and a displacement of [redacted] to 1,000 tons. They appeared to be the type O light destroyer. The ships had one gun at the stern and one at the bow, and two small anti-aircraft guns.
- b. These destroyers were observed one day during June 1950 entering the port and going toward the western section of the port. They were not seen again.

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Attachment



Sketch of the Port of Odessa

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